



In-Town Garden Ideas

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Spring is 'round the Corner!

A close-up of a mid 90's blooming of this plant which at 10years is my oldest orchid can be found at my web-site: www.ronmelander.net

Every Neighborhood Needs Someone Like Anthony

The residents over in the northeast corner of the Landmark Historic District, an area that was saved in the 1960's with the help of several preservationists dominated by the Lane family, are lucky indeed to be under the helpful watch of James 'Anthony' Williams. He is shown here standing in front of a small lockable storage area that faces out onto a parking lot that makes it possible for Anthony to conduct his small business. I wish there were more Anthonys and more of these small spaces designed into the neighborhoods of Savannah and elsewhere. Because of Anthony's presence the cars are washed, streets and walks are swept, the front door brass is polished and crime, especially auto break-ins, is less of a problem here. Bless Anthony and his supportive friends in the neighborhood too!



Website Launched

Pippy Cox-Melander



May He Rest in Peace

When Brian & Paula Palmer moved in a couple doors away last fall and we became friends, Paula gave me a business card with an image of their new home and the address to their web site. I could not believe how many pictures they had put on the site and I realized how excited they are about their new downtown home. We are very excited to have them! Brian told me about www.bizland.com and how affordable they were. So now I too have a site hosted by bizland. I still have a lot of work to do and it will always continue to evolve and change as time permits. I also obtained a domain name so my site is at www.ronmelander.net I plan on making this site more interactive and want it to aid me in my quest to better help people with garden related questions. Take a look at it and let me know what you think!

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Mission Statement

In-Town Garden Ideas is a publication of Ron Melander Garden Service. There is a dual purpose to this newsletter. One is to help me better communicate with my clients. The other is to provide a format for sharing information with clients and friends about garden related thoughts and issues, with a slant towards the downtown area. R.C. Melander Garden Services was formed in January of 1999 and is a home-based business. As a business person working and living downtown, all issues relating to the well-being of Savannah's Historic districts are important to me. My goal is to help improve the quality of life for everyone downtown.

Cathedral Project Always a Pleasure



When Brother Robert asked me in 2001 to install a drip irrigation system for the annual Poinsettia Christmas tree at St. John's Catholic Cathedral, I had no idea how much fun it would be. This year we added one more drip-line for the lowest rung of plants. It takes around 250 plants to make up the tree and now it can all be watered in a matter of minutes by connecting a garden hose from the tree to the sink in the room behind the altar. Pictured this year are Fran and Brian Connerat who are dedicated to making the tree a beautiful feature of the sanctuary during this joyous time of year. Brian is pretty good with drippers too! They are two out of a number of people who help create the decorations each year.

